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Wonder if the word 'inclusion' is in the Westland bylaws

It's weird, when I look up "hypocrite" in my dictionary it says "see Westland Democratic Club." [The Westland Dems failed to elect any black officers or board members — Ed.]

Inkster, Wayne, Canton, Livonia assessed higher than in Wasteland

Westland assessor James Elrod says our property values are doing quite well. I wonder why, if they are doing so well, he doesn't move here? Inkster, Wayne, Garden City, Canton, and Livonia all went up higher than Westland. Thanks for the info Ms. Hessler-Davis

Perhaps counseling will guide Westland council to happiness

The opinion expressed in the Sound Off regarding Mrs. Gronas getting escorted out of the Westland City Council meeting is the same thoughtless, vindictive opinions expressed every week at our council meetings. Mrs. Gronas was not only unruly but disrespectful to all in attendance and should have been escorted out long before she actually was. The same people come to these meetings each week to showcase their lack of self esteem and waste everyone's time with their empty threats and attempts to belittle council members and Mayor Ciccerelli. I wish they could get escorted out of the meetings every week but we know this can't happen, freedom of speech is to important.

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The Sunday School Community Choir were featured performers. First row from left to right are Kaivon Barker, Tazhanee Willis, Imani Badon, Porsha Hawkins and Leandre Talley. Second row, Director Shila Brim, Tina Williams, Lauren Fox, Ann Marie Austin, Kyla Barker, Leroy Talley, and Lamar Williams.

Black history celebrated through song

Cory Elementary School developed an extensive series of programs to celebrate Black History Month. Parent Coordinator Rita Talley and Cory's Parents that Care started out the Thursday evening presentations with a gala event entitled "Lift Every Voice and Sing." This program featured many outstanding vocal renditions as well as the historical background at the time the songs were composed. With featured vocalists singing the songs, Board of Education receptionist Ellen Bragg added a general historical overview. Barth Elementary first grade teacher Shila Brim and the Sunday School Community Choir started each program with several selections. Some of the vocalists that performed were Clara Glosson, Carl Carleton, Norbert Glover and Bragg. Featured speaker was Floyd Brooks who recited Dr.Martin Luther King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech. Guests were treated to a series of handouts covering the backgrounds of many famous African-Americans. One of those covered the life of Carter Woodson, a Harvard graduate who established "Negro History Week" in 1926. Woodson was credited with "awakening American Africans to their heritage" through the publication of 16 books.

Romulus denies Highland request to rezone

Romulus City Council once again denied a rezoning request from Highland Development to change the 38 acres of land on the south side of Ecorse Road from single-family residential to light industrial. The reason for the re-zoning, as stated by Highland representatives, is that they could not find a market for residential development. After purchasing the property in 1994, Highland discovered the land was contaminated. The property had once belonged to a landfill and Highland conducted a limited clean up to the soil, which has not been enough to convince potential buyers to develop residential homes on the site.

"Factors have made Highland not a desirable residential piece," said Highland Attorney Allen Green. According to Green, the site is also surrounded by industrial land use. If the site were to be developed it would become an island of residential surrounded by industrial zones. However, in the company's report to the Planning Commission, a residential site was listed southwest of the property with residential development. The city's community planning contractor, McKenna and Associates also named a site south of the property as designated for a golf course. Highland first brought their re-

Factors have made Highland not a desirable residential piece.
Attorney Allen Green

quest to the Planning Commission on January 23, in which the commission recommended the council deny the request to re-zone. The council, in turn rejected the request in a meeting on January 30. Reasons for the denial were outlined by the city's community planning contractor, Mc Kenna and Asso-

ciates. The proposed zoning is inconsistent with the current master plan, which designates single-family residential use for the site and surrounding sites. It is incompatible with recently approved residential development and objective to develop a golf course to the south and southwest of the property. There are 2,700 acres of land currently zoned for light industrial in more appropriate areas of the city. City council wants the property to remain residential. They believe that there was not enough research done on the site when purchased by Highland, if their intentions were to develop it for residential use.

County promises to sound control homes by 2007

By STEFANIE CARANO
MCN Staff Writer

At a special meeting on February 25, Wayne County officials presented their plans for the on-going Noise Mitigation Program before Romulus residents, the mayor and city council. The program, which began in 1997, had several hundred residents signed up to reduce airport noise in their homes.

Five years later, contractors have only looked at a limited number of homes and several jobs have been left unfinished. Programs that allow citizens to voice their concerns about the noise, such as the designated "noise hotline" are considered useless by many. The County's new general contractor, C and S Management has promised that they will do what they can to make it better. Resident James Hollis, who spoke before council and officials, said that contractors finally showed up to do the work at his house one month after they told him they'd be there. Then the work wasn't done correctly. "They said, 'We're going to take care of it,' but it ain't. Most of the house is not finished," said Hollis. He stated that he has called the county several times to ask when they'll finish the job but never gets a response. George Toma also complained about unfinished work and believes that there are more residents who would like to sign up for the program but they don't know how to get on the list. Many residents, including Toma, also believe the noise levels need to be re-evaluated with the opening of the new terminal. "I've heard they're going to make it right, I've been patient, why not re-evaluate the decibel level zones? This needs to be re-evaluated," said Toma. G. Scott Roberts, Director of the Neighborhood Compatibility Program for the airport, predicts that all contract jobs for noise mitigation will be complete by 2007. Part of the reason for the delay and the unfinished jobs is that the county has great difficulty finding qualified contractors to perform the jobs. "Many contractors don't want to do government programs," said Roberts. The County plans to start first work on homes in Huron Township, then in Romulus starting with those who live closest to the airport. Design visits will take place this coming June and the contractors will work strictly in Romulus. Noise Mitigation has 134 houses listed as needing the sound-control design. The county will start with Huron Township because that was the first municipality they started design work in. Of the funds for the mitigation program, 20 percent come from the county, and 80 percent from the Federal Aviation Administration. Discussion on funding led to talks about Bill 690 that would establish an airport authority separate from the Wayne County Commission. Commissioners Sullivan and Boike, who were present at the meeting, stated that the new bill would take away the voice of the citizens when it comes to airport-related issues. Under the new authority, seven volunteers would be chosen, four appointed by County Executive Edward McNamara, two by Governor John Engler and one by the Wayne County Commission. On February 25, Romulus City Council voted to oppose the new airport authority and urged Romulus citizens to contact their state representative, Ray Basham. On February 28, the state senate voted 26-10 in favor of the new authority. What it could mean for Romulus, many community leaders believe, is having absolutely no say when it comes to the airport, including sound control issues.

Church to recognize leaders

Parks Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church will be honoring community members who have made outstanding contributions in the categories of church, education, business and public service on Sunday, March 10 at the 11 a.m. worship service. Last year's honorees included Yvette Austin, Steven Cooley, Darnell Hearst, Vivian Holifield, Anita Holiday Johnson, William Parker, Rose Raspberry-Fisher, Sandra Edwards Swanigan, Dorothy West and Tondra and Eric Williams. For more information contact Rev. Cheryl Phillips at 248-353-9795.

Ludwig faces wife's alleged killer

By STEFANIE CARANO
MCN Staff Writer

Art Ludwig sat quietly in the back of the courtroom. He was waiting to see the man who had raped and murdered his wife, Nancy Ludwig eleven years ago in a Romulus hotel. "When he first walked in the room, that was the hardest part," said Ludwig. He also told reporters of the rage he felt upon seeing Gorton. "Whatever happens now is out of my hands, out of my control," said Ludwig, "I will just have to assume that the system will work. Jeffrey Wayne Gorton, 39, of Clio was bound over for trial last Wednesday on charges of first degree murder, felony murder-larceny, two counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct, and felony murder-criminal sexual conduct. Gorton sat mute as medical exam-

iner Dr. Yung Chung identified photos of Ludwig's body. Chung testified that Ludwig died after suffering deep stab wounds to the neck. She was also stabbed three times in the head. Chung told Prosecutor Elizabeth Walker, that Ludwig, in an attempt to ward off the attacks, had slash wounds to the hands, and had been bound and gagged with a sock. Lynne Helton of the Michigan State Police Crime Lab testified about DNA evidence which linked Gorton to Ludwig, and to Margaret Eby, a Flint professor raped and murdered in 1986. DNA found at both crime scenes matched samples acquired when a cup was taken by police officers after Gorton had drank from it. Fingerprints found also matched those of Gorton in an FBI database. She also said that semen found on Ludwig's body matched that of Gorton. "The possibility that it couldn't be that of the

The possibility that it couldn't be that of the suspects would be 1 in 97 quadrillion
Lynne Helton
State Police

suspects would be 1 in 97 quadrillion," said Helton. Gorton was arrested February 8th and arraigned in a Flint courtroom on February 9th. His attorney has asked for a capacity hearing in that case. Wayne County prosecutors say that his capacity hearing in Flint will have no bearing on the Romulus case. Art Ludwig has found some peace



with the arrest of Gorton. After the murder of his wife, he had been considered a prime suspect for a short time, and had to live with innuendoes and suspicions, while dealing with his grief. He believes that Michigan can also rest easier now, "I believe everyone in Michigan should be relieved," said Ludwig. Michigan can be sure of one thing, the system does work.

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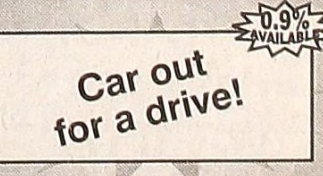
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Window on Wayne Cold War Era

In the Cold War Era, the Village of Wayne adopted Ordinance No. 26 in 1959 that pertained to Civil Defense and Disaster Control. On March 7, 1978, Ordinance No. 26 was repealed and a motion was made by the Wayne City Council to become affiliated with the Wayne County Emergency Preparedness Office.

Civil defense was on most minds because there was, many thought, a military threat by then Soviet Union, which was hell-bent on spreading communism throughout the world. We all know the Soviet Union collapsed, and the threat with it.

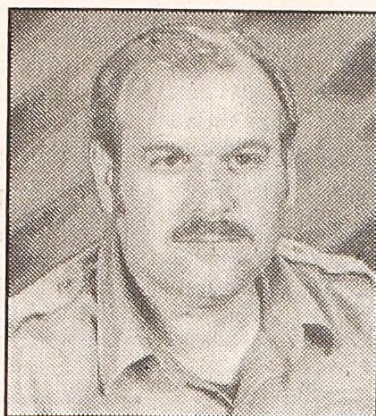
In 1962, Mr. Hank Goudy, who served as Fire Chief was Wayne's Civil Defense Director. Mr. Floyd Neel was the Wayne Civil Defense Deputy Director and he started to prepare Wayne for emergencies. Several locations in Wayne were stocked as fallout shelters.

Wayne City employees were encouraged to take one of 10 Civil Defense Courses offered, as it was thought in time of an emergency the city employees would do most of the work.

The following courses were offered to prepare the employees: First Aid, Advance First Aid, Casualty Care, Medical Self Help, Heavy Rescue 32 hours, Light Rescue 16 hours, Radiological Reading, Auxiliary Fireman, Auxiliary Police.

The State of Michigan Office of Civil Defense loaned Wayne a Civil Defense Heavy Rescue Truck for training. This blue and white truck literally was a large toolbox.

The employees of the Wayne DPW took part in Light Rescue and Heavy Rescue learning drills which included the use of tools in the Civil Defense Heavy Rescue Truck. The men of the DPW were taught how to rescue persons trapped under collapsed buildings. The men completed the course on October 18, 1962. My father, Leroy Story, who was a driver for the Wayne DPW at the time was one of the men to take the rescue course.



Richard L. Story

Other men assigned to the task included: Don Schukolsky, Dallas Keller, Richard Wolf, Earl Jacobs, Charlie Foust, Alvin Butler, Gabriel Sanders, John Brent, Robert Truitt, Leo Pratt, Jerome Taubitz, George Cornell, J. C. Johnson, Orville Hodder, and Jim Law. Also assigned to the task were: McAlbert Renodia, Louis George, Victor Husted, Dale McDonald, Al Cooper, Ken Hipner, Ray Fant, Bob White, Frank Boner, Dennis Piscopink, Leroy Story, and Jim White.

Those who participated in the First Aid Course from the DPW included: Edwin Bissett, Melvin Corton, Vic Husted, Don Schukofsky, George Brant, Ray Frant, Jean Johnson, Ray Wardell, Al Butler, Ken Hipner, Dallas Keller, Leroy Story, George Cornett, Orville Hodder, Leo Pratt.

Fire and police department personnel at the time who participated in the First Aid class were: Fire Department - Chief Goudy, Richard Norman, Wilfred Lewis, Joe Benyo, Tom Polsar, Don Edmonds, Russ Johnson, Gerald Kingsley, Owen McGill, Robert Mulligan, and Ted Scott. The police department at the time was represented by: Herbert Haslam, Dick McWilliams, Harold Meldrum, James Almos, Walter McGregor, and Stan Sak.

In the wake of Sept. 11, 2001, this nation, from time to time, is reminded of the dire need to be prepared to stand ready against its enemies. And men and women of all colors, creeds and beliefs always have been ready to sacrifice, to do what it takes to defend our freedoms.

Program focuses on auto arson reduction

Owners of vehicles burned in the City of Wayne and the City of Inkster will have to file a report with the local police department under a law designed to reduce auto arson in Michigan.

Wayne and Inkster are participating in the Auto Insurance Fire Loss Program created by Public Act 413 of 2001. PA 413 requires motorists who have their vehicles damaged by fire or explosion to file reports with their local fire or police agencies before their auto insurance claims can be paid.

Auto arson is becoming a major problem in the state and in the area. According to the latest statistics, six cars each day are intentionally torched in Michigan and it's the consumers who get burned in higher premium rates.

There were 10,752 vehicle fires in Michigan in 2000 (the most recent data available). More than 20 percent of those are estimated to be arson or suspicious fires.

suspicious fires.

The Michigan Arson Prevention Committee (MAPC) and the Insurance Information Association of Michigan (IIAM) have joined together to fight this crime, which along with other types of insurance fraud cost consumers an additional \$200-\$300 in insurance premiums each year.

"The Michigan law is based on a similar one in Massachusetts which led to a 79 percent reduction in auto arson in that state," said Leanne Snay, Executive Director, Insurance Information Association of Michigan (IIAM). "We hope to see positive results here as well."

The auto arson program limits participation to municipalities located in a county with a population of 425,000 or more or those with a population of 50,000 or more located in a county of less than 425,000 population.

To participate in the program, the governing body of a municipality must

first approve a resolution and then file an application with the Michigan Division of Insurance in the Office of Financial and Insurance Services.

Once a municipality is participating, vehicle owners must complete and submit a report prescribed by the State Fire Marshal prior to receiving payment for a fire-related claim of \$2,000 or more if it is determined that the fire may not have been accidental.

The insurance company or fire/police enforcement authority must notify the insured within 30 days of submission if it is determined that the fire may not have been accidental.

Currently 12 municipalities, along with Wayne and Inkster, participate in the program. They are Allen Park, Clio, Detroit, Grosse Pointe Shores, Harper Woods, Madison Heights, Oak Park, River Rouge, Rochester, Taylor and Trenton.

The MAPC and IIAM encourage residents to fight back against auto arson by reporting auto theft and arson fraud.

HEAT - Help Eliminate Auto Thefts - rewards callers up to \$1,000 if the information leads to the arrest and the binding over for trial of a suspected car thief, up to \$10,000 if the tip results in the arrest and binding over for trial of suspected theft ring members and/or chop shop operators.

The reporting number is 1-800-242-HEAT.

Arson Control also rewards up to \$5,000 to persons who provide information that leads to the arrest and/or conviction of arsonists. The telephone number for reporting these crimes is 1-800-44-ARSON.

MAPC is a statewide task force against arson. It includes representatives from fire and police services, business, the insurance industry and government. IIAM is a nonprofit public information organization that sponsors a number of consumer information and education programs.

Cops, teachers shoot hoops for D.A.R.E. benefit

There will be a showdown between Wayne's finest and Wayne-Westland teachers on March 14.

And representatives of the two factions have chosen the Wayne Memorial Alumni Arena for the shoot-out.

At 7 p.m., on Thursday, March 14, the action commences.

That's when and where the 13th annual D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) benefit basketball game will be conducted. At stake is the athletic prestige of the two teams, but more importantly, the game raises funds to help keep kids off of illegal drugs.

The coaches - Father Jack Baker, who will be coaching the men and women in blue, and Coach Charlotte Sherman, who has picked the most scholarly and athletically talented from the Wayne-Westland schools - have announced that their teams are ready to go. They hope you are, too.

To see the action, it'll cost fans \$1, and there will be no losers in this game that benefits the children.

The Teacher's Team roster includes: Paul Chisholm, Bill Hamilton, Joel Lloyd, Eric Rotenheber, Dan Kaminski, Marty Moro, Bob Keller, Joe

Comejo, Tom Wakefield, Craig Hnatuk, Brian Samulski, Pete Fogler, Christopher Marek, Tim Hardin, and Tom Stubner.

Coach Baker's roster will include: Matthew Spunar, Greg Anderson,

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Recreation officials say that all middle school students who attend the Wayne-Westland schools are welcomed to attend the program.

For more information, please call 721-7400.

Also the 9-Pin No-Tap Bowling date is on March 9. Join the Wayne Parks and Recreation Department for an evening of fun at the Superbowl in Canton Township. The fun will begin at 9:30 p.m. and costs \$15 per person. The admission price includes three games, shoes, pizza and pop (cash bar).

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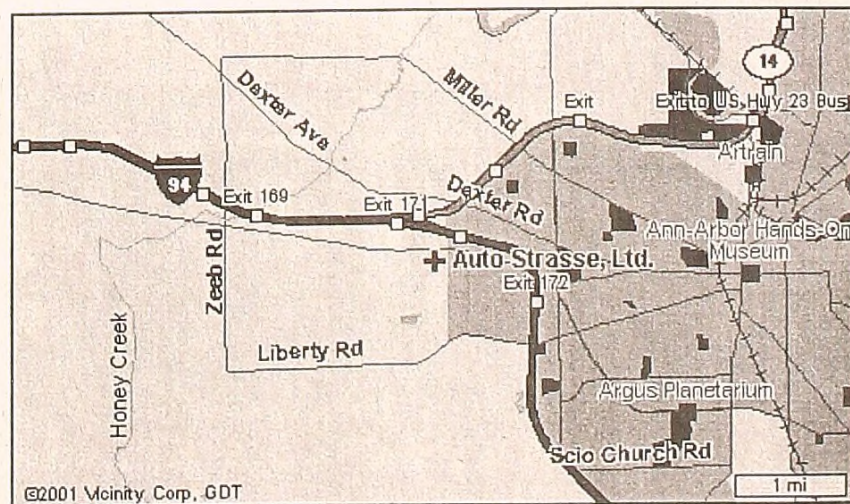
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NEWS FROM THE CITY OF INKSTER

City to use \$437,000 state grant for home improvement

Mayor and city council approved a request last week by the city's Community Development Department to apply for a Community Block Grant that, if approved, would provide funding for home improvements.

The grants are made available by the state biennially to communities who qualify.

During a public hearing held in the council chambers, Clarence Oden, assistant director of Community Development, said that the Community Development Department, in conjunction with Wayne County, has applied for a Community Development Block Grant.

Oden said application seeks approximately \$437,000 in CDBG funding, which is approximately \$60,000 more than the 2001-2002 fiscal year.

Oden also pointed out that in the past the city would apply directly to the state for the funds, but in recent years discovered that through the cooperation of Wayne County, Inkster's share could be increased by a combined county-city application.

"The state has less funds and more cities to serve, while only a few cities apply for the funding through the county."

Oden said if grant funds are made available to the city, the monies would be made available to eligible residents to bring their homes up to city code.

"There also would be funds available for home improvements and for the relocation of homeowners in the Carver Homes (Subdivision)," Den pointed out.

Den was referring to a proposed project yet on the drawing boards to develop the Carver Homes. Recently, Erick Crane, a vice president of Crosswinds, announced that his corporation is interested in developing the Carver Homes Subdivision. During the dialogue city officials said that, though there isn't anything definitely about the project, if it became a reality the city may have to purchase some homes and relocate the residents.

Oden's reference to "relocation" apparently was to the future scenario and not immediately.

In fact, during Erick's cameo appearance before council, Community Development Director Richard Wooten cautioned the audience, made up largely of Carver Homes residents, "The city has not made any decision on (land) acquisition..."

Council accepted Oden's recommendation that the city should submit an application for the CDBG funds.

There were no comments from the public during the hearing.

Optimist hosts NOW program

By THEOLA JONES
MCN Special Writer

The year 2002 began literally with an optimistic future for the Optimist Club of Inkster.

The group hosted a "New Optimist Wanted (NOW) Dinner" recently at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex and the response was "great".

The newly-formed Youth Optimist Club members, representing Blanchette Middle School, King Academy, and the Thomas Gist schools were formally introduced to the Inkster community.

Jacqueline Sledge, a member of the Inkster Board of Education, served as the program's Mistress of Ceremonies, while Michaelann Peterson, from King Academy, gave the "Welcome". Other participants included Booker Dozier, who offered the Invocation; Charles Coleman, Purpose and History; Jorge Whitlow, musical renditions; Theron Baesdale, the Blessing of the food; John Hern, Introduction of Speaker; the Rev, John Hern, was the keynote speaker.

Also in attendance was Socialue Porter, the first woman to be elected as Governor of an Optimist Organization. Porter extended the NOW invitation.

She also received several new members into the local Optimist or-



New inductees into the Youth Optimist Club in Inkster proudly display their Optimist plaques they received upon their induction into the local chapter. The Optimist Club recently hosted a New Optimist Wanted (Now) Dinner at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex and the special plaques were made during the program. Pictured above with their plaques are Keith Jackson (left to right), Blanchette Middle School; Essence Grant, the Thomas Gist Academy; and Deairis Stewart, Blanchette Middle School. Not available at the time of the photo was new inductee Michaelann Peterson from Martin Luther King High School. Photo by Theola Jones.

ganization. The new members are Antonio Shaw, Jessie Shelby, Felix Stewart, Comelia Knox, and Andrea Whitner.

Among the highlights of the evening was the introduction of the young Optimist members who presented speeches on the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and also explaining how they expect to succeed

in life.

The Optimist Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second and the fourth Thursday of each month at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Complex, which is located on Middlebelt Road, about a third of a mile north of Michigan Avenue.

Willie Williams serves as the local club's president.

Local sorority to conduct 'International Day of Service'

By THEOLA JONES
MCN Special Writer

March 9, 2002, has been declared "The International Day of Service" and, in recognition of the day, the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is planning a special program.

The program will focus on education and alerting minority women that, according to recently-released statistics, the face of AIDS in the United States is changing.

Minorities, primarily African Americans and Hispanics, now constitute 57 percent of the AIDS cases reported since the epidemic began in 1981.

Members of the Inkster Alumnae

Chapter will form two groups that will visit local beauty salons in western Wayne County, and will distribute packets of informative literature about HIV/AIDS.

Five important messages are addressed in the literature. They are:

1. HIV/AIDS is a preventable disease;
2. Effective treatment is available for the victims;
3. Recognize the symptoms of HIV;
4. See a doctor for immediate help;
5. African Americans and women are often reluctant to seek help, and that may be fatal for them.

Delta chapters around the world will conduct similar projects centered around the sorority's theme: "Summit V: Health and Healing." The program is part of a network that includes the participation of the NAACP, Minority Health, and the AIDS Council of America., a national treatment program of the National Institute of Health.

Genarda Wright is president of the Inkster Alumnae Chapter, and Deborah Simmons serves as chairperson of the Physical and Mental Health Committee which is responsible for coordinating the local International Day Service project.

Council commends Weed & Seed director

Inkster Mayor Hilliard Hampton, Jr. and members of city council Monday night commended the Director of the Weed & Seed Program, Jeannie Fields, for her "work with the children of the City of Inkster."

Weed & Seed, a federally-funded program, is in its fourth year in Inkster. The program's goals are to eliminate criminal activity in neighborhoods and replace crime with positive programs.

Fields, the executive director of Weed & Seed, had informed the local legislators, through her semi-annual report, that through the many programs sponsored by Weed & Seed, there was definitely a dent in the number of crime cases reported

in the public housing sector.

"The report is thorough and the programs excellent for our children," said Councilwoman Naomi James. "She (Fields) should be commend-

ed for her work."

Mayor Hampton recommended that council should draft a resolution and present it to the executive director.

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Meet MCN's Lois Williams Grandmother to thirty-four

This newspaper group is made up of a small nucleus of dedicated employees. There are about ten of us that work extremely hard to produce the seven weekly newspapers we publish. I thought it was about time I introduced you to one of the behind-the-scenes workers that helps make this newspaper company a success.

Lois Williams, affectionately known as "grandma" around the office is probably the first person you meet or talk to on the phone. She has been our receptionist for six years, and knows about all there is to know about Michigan Community Newspapers.

Many of you know as a very efficient organizer, but what you probably do not know is that she is a grandmother to 34 children, including our bookkeeper, Syble Marr. She and Syble have worked side-by-side for this newspaper for the past six years, not only as receptionist and bookkeeper, but taking the all important circulation tasks, as well.

Although Lois has worked all her life, first as a waitress, then as an office clerk, her first love is her family. She and husband, Ernest live in a small bungalow in Southwest Detroit where once a year-Christmas — the whole family descends upon the Williams home.

That's approximately eighty relatives that show-up Christmas Day, where they are treated to one of grandma's huge feasts including ham, scalloped pota-

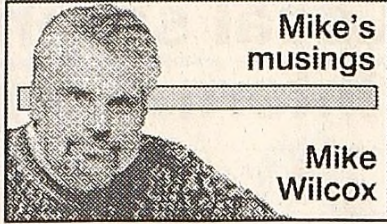
toes, green beans, salad, and a half dozen pies.

Additionally, all thirty-four grandchildren and two great-greatchildren receive two presents each from the Williams'. That means Christmas shopping begins in October, and presents — all sixty-eight are stacked everywhere in the small house.

Lois and Ernest have been married since 1978. Both come from difficult childhoods — Ernest was adopted, and to this day doesn't know who his real family is, and Lois was in and out of foster homes because her mother died early and her father didn't want to raise his kids.

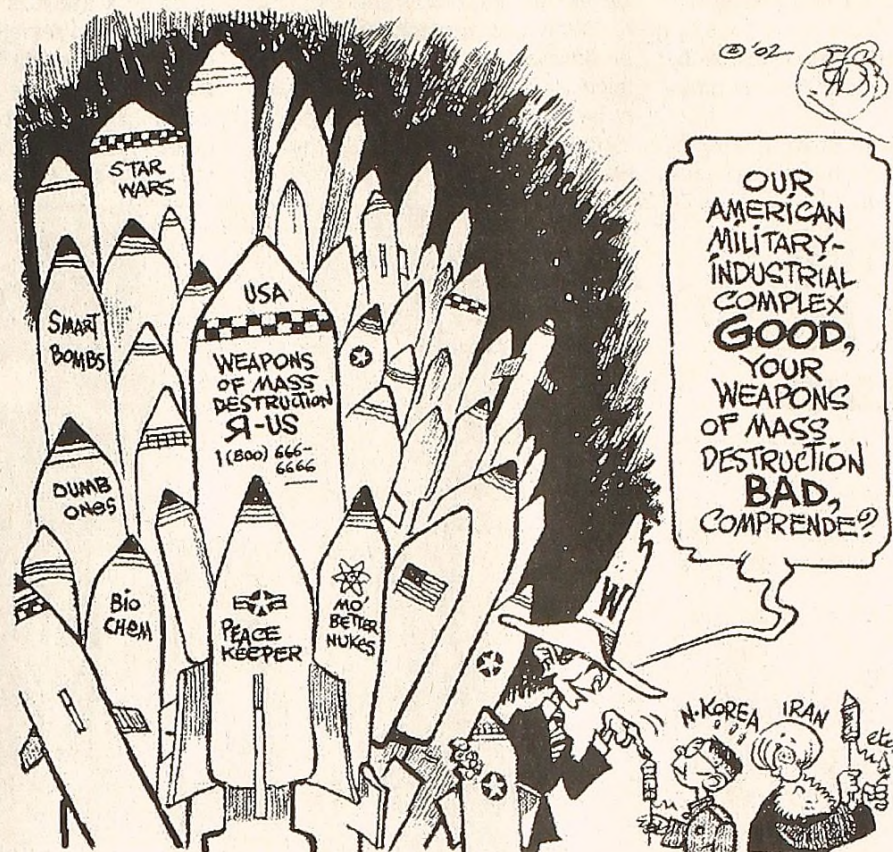
Along the way, together, they have battled the death of a child, alcoholism, and business bankruptcy. But those battles and their difficult childhoods have given them a resolve that few can match. That resolve coupled with her experience, makes Lois a valuable asset to Michigan Community Newspapers.

We here at MCN are happy to call Lois a true friend and valued employee. We hope she and Ernest, (who manages a pizza parlour) have all the happiness and health they deserve. We hope Lois will continue to keep the rest of us organized at MCN, for many years to come.



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox



Shootings seem less violent

During the nineties, violent crime rates fell.

America's streets seemed the safest in about 30 years. Nobody calls Detroit "Murder City" anymore.

In Westland, community police had driven many drug dealers out of neighborhoods, and stopped young toughs from harassing senior citizens in Norway.

Canton police set up a mini station at a trailer park and a regular patrol in a high-crime apartment complex, reducing crime and gaining residents' confidence.

Though I have long believed that government meddling in family, neighborhood, and local school affairs has wrecked the nations' three most civilizing institutions, I had become optimistic that Canton and Westland police — departments I report about — had become adept at keeping the peace.

But the recent murder at Token Lounge in Westland taught me that the best efforts of good cops can be thwarted by soft judges.

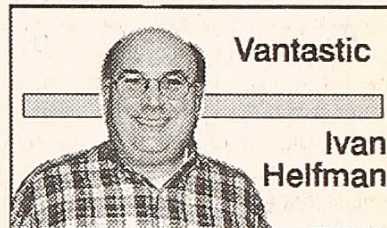
A Southgate District Court judge had released the Token shooting suspect on a \$10,000 bond, despite his record. According to Westland police, he had been involved in a shooting in Westland and allegedly in a triple shooting in Southgate.

Given a \$10,000-get-of-jail card, perhaps teaching the suspect that shooters don't do prison time and increasing his rashness — an attitude that I don't want to spread.

Unfortunately, the shooters-walk attitude may have spread to a 300-pound man suspected of shooting a man in the hip with an assault rifle Friday morning at the High Voltage in Westland.

After the shooting, the shooter escaped.

Now there are two shooters walk-



Vantastic

Ivan Helfman

ing around, one of them with an assault rifle, and neither shy about pulling triggers.

The existence of two devil-may-care shooters rattled me into writing about our vulnerability to violent thugs.

Then this week's *Time* revealed that government spies believe that terrorists may have a 10-kiloton nuclear bomb from the Russian arsenal that, if smuggled into a large American city, could kill 100,000 people and radiate another 700,000.

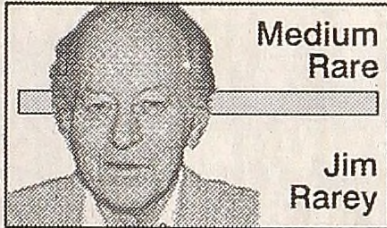
All of a sudden, the thugs don't seem so violent.

Be wary of phone solicitors

The solicitor on the phone describes in glowing terms all the worthwhile activities of the organization he represents and informs you it is tax exempt under the Internal Revenue Code. Does this mean you can deduct your contribution on your income tax return? Not necessarily.

There is more than one type of "tax exempt" organization depending on the organization's purpose and how it uses the funds. Tax exempt merely means that the organization does not pay income, sales and property taxes. In order for one to be able to deduct the contribution on his or her individual tax return, the organization must have been granted tax-exempt status by the IRS as a charitable organization under section 501(c)(3) of the code.

Charitable organizations with tax exempt status are required to furnish receipts to donors explicitly informing them that the contribution is tax deductible. If the receipt received does not make that statement or refer to the code section (above), it probably cannot be deducted (legally). There are literally hundreds of organizations making telephone solicitations and many are not "charitable" organizations. Nevertheless, unsuspecting taxpayers



Medium Rare

Jim Rarey

deduct their contributions, which likely would be disallowed in the event of an IRS audit.

Some organizations disclose (on receipts mailed to the donor) that they do not qualify as charitable organizations. The information may or may not have been mentioned in the telephone solicitation.

One such organization is the Police Officers Labor Council (P.O.L.C.). The receipt it mails contains the following statement: "This nonprofit does not have status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, but is registered as a 501(c)(5) tax exempt corporation, thus your contribution is not a charitable tax deduction."

When material (magazine, brochure, etc.) or even a ticket to a concert is received for the contribution, a bona fide charitable organization will disclose on the receipt the "fair market value" of the goods or

services provided. This amount should be subtracted from the contribution for tax deduction purposes.

Aside from the tax implications, many telephone solicitations are not what they seem to be. It is a common practice for tax exempt organizations, including some charities (and even non-tax-exempt organizations) to hire other companies to make the phone calls. In some cases up to 90 percent of the funds collected go to the outside company with only one dollar out of ten going to the organization in whose name the funds were solicited. Even then, only a small fraction of that one-dollar may go for the activities described in the solicitation.

In summary, in order to be assured that your contributions are not only tax deductible but will be used for charitable purposes, it is safer to give only to well-recognized charities than to telephone solicitors. There is a plethora of legitimate charities around and it should not be difficult to find one that suits your preference as to how your money will be used.

This column is not intended to give tax advice, only common sense precautions in your charitable giving. For tax advice, consult a registered professional.

Testosterone fueled shooting

Ralph Nader might say hip hop in Westland is dangerous at any speed. Many of you may have heard of the shooting and near riot at a recent Token Lounge hip hop night.

Not that murders and near riots are anything new. It has happened at Cobo Hall, at Harpo's, the Royal Oak Theater, St. Andrews Hall, the Golden Chariot Lounge, even at the Necto Ballroom in lovely downtown Ann Arbor.

When a hip hop murder happened at Papa's Soul Food in Inkster I'm not sure it even made the papers.

But techno dancers and hip hop rappers have long fought and, at the same time, embraced the gangsta image and lifestyle.

Local hip hop artists like D-12, Uncle Ill, Paradime, DJ Rick, Hush, SUN, Backstab and Cutthroat may not be much different than fifties-rebel-without-a-cause James Dean or seventies-machine-gun-band MC-5.

Eminem and Kid Rock, like Iggy and Bob Seger before them, unleashed a dangerous youthful primal scream that took them down a road filled with sex, drugs, unbelievable

dangers, and riches.

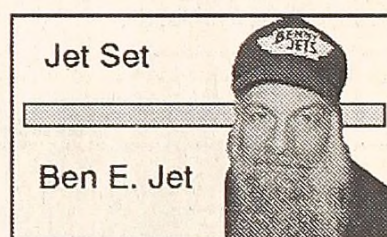
Mix drugs and reckless youthful passions with the lure of sex and money and you have a rock and roll, hip hop recipe for disaster.

Note, I called it a rock and roll, hip hop recipe for disaster, not just a hip hop disaster. I do not believe the music is the main ingredient in this. Many a killing happened round the old honky tonk piano in some old west cowboy saloon.

Though man has had many changes on the outside, over the last several thousand years, the inside of the average testosterone-driven male has not changed. It is still the pursuit of sex and respect. Add some drums and dancing girls and some caveman is going to throw a rock.

Understand that since the dawn of time, it is not the drums and the dancing that causes the rock throwing or gun shooting, it is a sex drive, a raging volcano of inner pressure. Boys becoming men and being smart enough to handle social situations

Even in the Jerry Springer-Puff Daddy world there is no replacement for education. I'm not sure you



Jet Set

Ben E. Jet

want some piano player in some honky tonk saloon to educate your children. That sounds like a job for parents.

Teach them the things that are important. Don't throw rocks. Don't lie, cheat, steal or kill people! If you take the time to repeatedly tell your kids that, then when the kindergarten teacher and the Sunday school preacher says it, when they read it in the paper, hear the policeman, and the piano player say it, maybe — just maybe — that person will do the right thing.

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Bumblebees not made to fly, but they do

By KAREN MEIER
MCN Special Writer

I had to give my "Don't you waste the gifts God gave you" speech to one of my older boys this past week. I won't go and tattle on the poor child to all of you, but I will explain why I'm driven to speechify on this topic on occasion to my children. It has to do with the "Bumblebee Theory." Have you ever heard of it?

Well, it goes something like this: Scientific type folks have determined that because of the size, weight, roundness, and the deplorable lack of airworthiness, the bumblebee is not an aerodynamically sound creature; it just isn't able to fly.

According to aerodynamic calculations. The poor thing should fall flat on its face or belly and buzz helplessly on the ground. No gift for flying. But there he is, flying around as nice as you please. Not knowing all that sci-

entific, aerodynamic, flight-engineer or logical nay-saying and pooh-poohing, the bumblebee flies. In spite of it all! It's extraordinary!

So last week I had the honor and privilege of attending several award ceremonies for academic excellence — my children are doing very well in school. I am so incredibly proud of them.

I attended a meeting with Stevie's teachers at the elementary school for his annual review. This formal review is part of the special education program Stevie's been in since he was 6-months-old.

He has just now turned 6-years-old, and at six, special needs children are given a "classification." This determines the types of services, teachers, and programs the children are eligible for during their school years.

From early on, when Stevie was still a baby, I knew the classification of my child born with Down syndrome

would occur. I didn't care for the notion when I first learned of it and as the day approached for this meeting, the one at which this classification thing would surface, I still didn't like it. But since Stevie's teachers have been so wonderful, professional, honest yet encouraging, kind and human, this wouldn't be a bad thing. The meeting got underway. As it progressed, the stack of review papers and test results and commentary sheets grew taller and taller. The teachers were very thorough. I won't go into particulars, but the word "juxtaposition" flew into my head as I dug through the papers in front of me regarding Stevie and noticed that at the bottom of the stack were the gifted program forms for one of my other elementary school children. I was to turn those papers in to that same school that day. What a juxtaposition. When Stevie's standardized test results were revealed during the meet-

ing, my heart sank. I know it shouldn't have, but it did. Quantifying put things in such a harsh, glaring, unflattering light. I know the tests are necessary, and the results were real, and they all have significance and import, but as in the bumblebee's case, he'll fly anyway.

Bumblebees flying! My Stevie reading! In first grade! But the tests, the data show it's not possible. But God gives gifts of possibility and determination and gumption. And bumblebees don't waste these gifts. Stevie doesn't waste them either.

And since that's so, then by golly, the scholarship, gifted program, academic excellence award, honor society, accelerated children better not waste an ounce, a drop of their gifts! I'm convinced God gave all of us gifts. Different gifts, to be sure. But they're there, and they're all good. And we can take wing because of those gifts. And we can fly! Every one of us.

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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Cowardly critic must have been 'seeing things'

To the editor:

Well, well, well. Once again we have those cowardly people using Sound Off to hide behind again! The person that is so "appalled" this time. You should really think about changing your words, you make the guessing too easy.

You are probably one of those people that have either worked for or maybe retired from the city. Some of the things that have been done or things that some have tried to do in this city and keep quiet are things that some should be very embarrassed about but for some reason they are not.

Something I will never begin to understand. I could not show my face in this city again if I were caught doing these things. To some it just does not matter.

For you to say that I should be embarrassed for getting up to speak at a council meeting. Sorry I am not. Really hate to disappoint you. We do have a life beyond this city's politics and council. You are the ones that should be embarrassed to always have to put your snide remarks in the paper and hide behind them.

To say "once again LeBlanc shows up at council meetings to create turmoil," as you put it! Maybe you need to get your facts straight. Do you even know what he looks like? You are seeing things if you thought he was there.

I'm only asking, because he has been to one meeting during 2002 and he never even spoke, so how can he be creating turmoil? I really hate to keep correcting you on these issues. Please get it straight next time.

You do not have a clue when you say he was the least qualified of the three for the clerk position. I think they should have been tested to see just who knew what. You may have been surprised!

Nobody was trying to steal a job from anybody much less a job from a regular person as you put it. It was a position that needed to be filled and anyone could have put his or her name in including you, yourself.

Richard would have created some checks and balances for our city, something I now believe we will never have. Perhaps, the mayor might have appointed if you were on the right side you just to the position.

Many residents see how the mayor has every vacant spot filled with people that will give her whatever she wants. The residents of Westland are not stupid. We all know that honesty is not a qualification for a job in this city.

I cannot begin to tell you how many phone calls and people that have stopped me to just say what a good job I did at getting some of the true facts out there. How some can change their minds but others can't. I guess if you are in the click you can do whatever you please.

The words of one gentleman sticks with me, he said, "Richard should just sit back and laugh at this mess."

I sometimes feel that I agree with him but on the other hand the state of this city is no laughing matter. Thanks for all your kind words, to those who know what is really going on with all the political paybacks.

Lastly to person who thinks Richard is Cheryl Graunstadt's puppet master. We can only guess who you are. We take that as a real compliment. I am glad you compare the two. Maybe she watched the best people like Glenn Anderson and Richard and

learned a lot and became the best our Council now has to offer.

Like it has been said again and again "We pay the best so we get the best". She watched and learned. She is a shining example of someone who has stayed true to herself and not out to please her colleagues when she knows something is not right, even if it means she has to stand alone, as she has on many occasions.

She stayed true to her campaign promises and works for the residents as she said she would and for that she should be very proud of herself. It gives me pure pleasure to see by your comments that you are all so bugged that Cheryl gets the support of the residents for doing what is right just as Richard did. Keep up the good work Cheryl.

In closing again, I unlike you am not embarrassed to once again sign my name. Whether you're the sister of an elected official, a current or retired city employee or elected official, or some other malcontent, you should try signing your letters. A signature lends credibility.

Cheryl LeBlanc
Westland

SOUND OFF EXTRA

Criticism of Wayne-Westland's transportation department 'junk'

Really! The writer of this Sound Off [about administrators in Wayne-Westland's transportation department] must have slipped and hit his or her head.

It's kind of funny, when management has to carry out certain tasks that are mandated by different government agencies such as MIOSHA, DOT, etc., then that makes them wardens of a concentration camp?! How ludicrous.

After hearing about this Sound Off, then having it read out-loud by one of the other inmates, and then listening to all remark how dare someone write this junk; seems to me the author must either not work there or is disgruntled and has it in for management or someone because of their own irresponsibility or even lack of work ethic.

For all the bull that the employees have to put up with — from the children themselves to some of the administrators and even some of the parents — all while making sure yours and my kids are safely transported back and forth from home and school in a timely manner. Then they have the pleasure to read stuff like this.

Who knows, perhaps the author is

a former employee trying to get their last word in, or one that is on the heels of some sort of discipline. Whatever the case, they certainly couldn't be so far from the truth as they said in their comments.

It is far from being the perfect place to work, admittedly; but which place is?

Thanks for letting us all know your feelings. It's too bad that you are the only one that has them — one of the other inmates, actually the trustees of your kids.

Don't let misguided politicians continue to tap into our wallets

There were several people at the recent Westland council meeting that spoke against the incinerator costs and against any attempt to try to pass another millage to throw more bad money after good.

I agree, as long as those politicians can tap into our wallets to pay for their stupid actions (like getting us signed into a 40-year contract), they won't do a damn thing to find a cheaper solution.

Even Cheryl Graunstadt, who did reluctantly support the millage renewal in November, has said she is wary of any new millage because nobody seems to be seriously looking at getting us out.

'The true abuse is not learning discipline'

To the editor:

We were always taught the rules of etiquette. Ladies should fix their hair, do their makeup, and men shaved. Both ladies and men bathed, cleaned their nails, wore neat clothing.

But, it seems that the slovenly confuse the improvement of one's outward appearance or "image" as being "a new spin," trying to rationalize by saying "pride is a sin." The lack of hygiene is being passed off as "comfortable." The dutiful teachings of weight-control by adults to children are being discarded by those who do not care that the children are being robbed of their right to run and jump and play, while dying from preventable diseases.

The slovenly twist the meaning of "it's what's on the inside that counts," adding how outward appearance is "pretentious" and "unimportant." Self-improvement and goals are replaced with, "accept me just the way I am." Give me a break. The slovenly are not role models. Neither at council

meetings or in general society. Anywhere.

To those who are civil, keep it up. To those who are bullies, I guess you were never spanked as little children, which is now confused with "abuse." The true abuse is not learning discipline. Only "babies," whether young or old, believe that life consists of constantly taking sides over unimportant matters.

All day long, everyday, forever. Such immature people constantly try to use brainwashing tactics upon others. Such as the censoring of topics, shaming, shunning, embarrassing, snickering, and the usage of name calling, lies, and labels. The phrase "being well-balanced" is replaced with "straddling the fence" and good is called evil and evil is called good.

Real adults take sides over important matters such as terrorism. Which, in a sense, is just what I am doing, you local terrorists, you. Guards and monitors now need to be placed, not only in the council chambers, but also in the lobby, the restrooms, the

parking lot, and also in front of the building, which is dark once the lights are shut off. And, once someone has displayed contemptible behavior, they should never be granted admittance again. Ever.

In conclusion, one of the ways that we can tell whether we have hit a nerve is by the number of complaints we receive. And, often the ratio of complaints we receive is equal to the ratio of truth we have told.

Truth tellers are often called liars by the barbarians who often mix truth with lies, in order to confuse. Truth tellers often lead a life of sadness, but every now and then, they also receive a rare compliment. But, that is just how it goes. Truth tellers tell truth not to win a popularity contest or to be elected to any position. Or to dominate an audience. Truth tellers tell truth just to tell truth.

Another point of concern around here the word, "private" is often confused with the phrase "total honesty." Just because a person doesn't divulge what kind of undies they wear doesn't

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Press ignored champs

To the editor:

It's a shame when both the junior varsity and varsity volleyball teams earn conference championships, and a basketball game that that means nothing, except to the players, gets

more press.

Oh wait, we would have to have had some press for them to get more. Our teams were not even mentioned.

Sincerely,
Richard Coate,
Headvolleyball coach
Romulus Community Schools

McKinney still in awe of Westland city council

To the editor:

After attending and then re-watching the Westland City Council meeting, I'm still in awe.

What is and what was are completely different. As far as the applicants for the planning board, it was said there weren't enough qualified applicants for commissions and boards, yet how can one know if the mayor doesn't interview any of them?

I know that three were more qualified than one chosen and that of those three at least one had 17 years in the military working in civil engineering.

Oops, I forgot that old loophole of theirs. The question was "was anyone a civil engineer?"

And would the phantom of their council please keep it down? I don't know who the council president was trying to keep quite, it sure wasn't Joe Eadeh. If Mrs. Gronas was escorted out, why wasn't he?

By trying to pipe down the speakers, Mr. Pickering caused more turmoil and disorder then any one person has.

I think Eadeh was wrong when he said that he learned from the best because the best can't be heard — only he can.

What's with Peggy Ellenwood? No one made themselves self-appointed. Things were happening more then six months ago. You really should do better research. And if you can't take one swear word or even many from a group of upset citizens, be they seniors or not, then I suggest you find a new field.

When you work in public, people get upset and people swear. Facts of life.

To Bill Wild, I saw the same program, and regardless of what Bush is wearing, blue does not mean power.

Sincerely,
Judy McKinney
Westland

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Jordan's II Family Rst.
8:30 am - 10:00 am
5845 Merriman

Friday, March 15
WAYNE
City Bakery and Cafe'
8:30 am - 10:00 am
35161 E. Michigan Ave.

Monday, March 18
PITTSFIELD TWP
Bob Evan's
8:30 am - 10:00 am
2411 Carpenter Rd.

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OBITUARIES

ADCOCK, JAMES E., 84, of Westland, passed away February 21. Loving husband of Emojean Adcock. Dearest father of Edward (Judy) Adcock, J. Carol (Greg) McKay, Peggy Ann Adcock, and James (Machelle) Adcock. Also survived by five siblings, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home. Interment followed at Overton Memorial Gardens, Livingston, TN.

BUCK, DORIS MAY, 82, of Wayne passed away February 18. Loving wife of Donald Buck. Beloved mother of Harold (Harriet) Buck. Dear sister of Charles Bartholomew. Dearest grandmother of Sandi Moebs and Ronald Buck; great-grandmother of Samantha Collins and Raven Buck. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Joy officiating. Interment followed at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock.

CHAMPION, THOMAS EDWARD, 84, of Chelsea, MI (formerly of Belleville), passed away February 27 at the University of Michigan Hospital. Mr. Champion was born in June 1917 in Paulding, OH to Edward J. and Eva A. Champion. Mr. Champion was a custom homebuilder in the Belleville area prior to working for the University of Michigan (where he retired from in 1979). He was a quiet man whose strength was his devotion. He built the First Assembly of God Church in Belleville and last attended the Faith Assembly of God Church before moving to Chelsea in 1999. Mr. Champion was an accomplished carpenter who enjoyed woodworking and furniture making. He also loved gardening and playing the guitar and harmonica. He was married to Alta Miller in June 1937 in Ohio and she survives him. Other survivors include his daughter Lois Mary Champion of Denver, CO; sons, David Lee of Los Angeles, CA, Daniel Paul (Barbara) of Ann Arbor, and Lloyd James of Chelsea; Grandchildren Jeffery, Eric Rebecca, Laurie, Kerrie,

Jody, Gina and Mia; and several great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by four brothers and three sisters. A memorial service was held at Chelsea Retirement Community with Pastor Crowder and Pastor Hayes officiating. Memorial contributions can be made in his honor to the Chelsea retirement Community. Funeral arrangements were made by Cole Funeral Chapel in Chelsea.

DOBSON, JULIA A., 82, of West Richland, WA passed away February 22 at the Tri-Cities Chaplaincy Hospice House in Kennewick, WA. She was born in August 1919 in Monroe, MI (born to Baziel and Emilie LaFout Janssens) where she was raised on a farm on West Albain Road. Julia worked at the local auto supply from 1938-1940. In November 1939 Julia married Francis O. Dobson, also of Monroe. While Francis served in the Navy during World War II, Julia worked in the ammunition factory in Howell, MI until she joined him in Fort Pierce, FL. Their only child David O. Dobson was born there. In 1945 after the war the family moved to Romulus. In 1999 Julia moved to West Richland to be with her son and family. Julia was a member of St. Aloysius Church. She also was a devoted homemaker and mother. Her hobbies included shopping, walking, and taking care of her yard. She is survived by her son David (Patricia) Dobson of West Richland, WA; her grandchildren Dustin (JoAnna) Dobson, Lisa (Shayne) Eyre, Jared Dobson, and Tricia (Zachary) Stites; her great-grandchildren Julia Dobson, Jayci Eyre, Ryanna Eyre, Lacey Dobson, and Alyssa Dobson; her sister-in-law Helen Janssen; many nieces and nephews; and many cousins in the Monroe area. Preceded in death by her loving husband of 50 years Francis O. Dobson and her siblings Gustave, Cyril, Elmer, Madeline, Margaret, Lorraine, Elsa, and Clara. Funeral services were held at Crane Funeral Home. Interment followed at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock. Memorial donations can be

made in her honor to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 6335 N. Fresno, St. Frezno, CA, 93710.

DREFFS, NORRENE M. (O'FLARE-TY), 83, of Wayne, passed away February 18. Beloved wife of Harry. Dearest mother of Julie (Denis) Anderson. Loving grandmother of Emily. Dear sister of Jean (Dr. Herbert) Hamel. Dear aunt of Dr. Herbert (Patti), Thomas, David, and Carolyn. Norrene was a graduate of Marygrove College. She also graduated from the University of Michigan with a Masters Degree. She retired from public education in 1981. She was also an active member of the Wayne Library Board (for over 30 years) and served in the U.S. Navy. Funeral services were held at St. Mary Catholic Church, Wayne. Interment followed at Fort Custer National Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Harry J. Will Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made in her honor to the Wayne Library Fund or the St. Mary Church Building Fund.

GOOD, CLIFTON KEITH, 84, of Garden City, passed away February 19. Loving husband of Winona. Dear father

of Judy (Herman) Samland, Jerry (Cindy) Good, Kathy (Donald) LaComb, and Scott (Kelly) Good. Dearest grandfather of nine, great-grandfather of seven, and great great-grandfather of two. Funeral services were held at Harry J. Will Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Raitz officiating. Interment followed at Cadillac Memorial in Westland.

GRAVES, JOHN B., 80, of Belleville, passed away February 22. Beloved husband of Marie H. (Plont) Graves for 59 1/2 years. Dear son of the late Arnold T. and Lucille M. (Bradford) Graves. Dear brother-in-law of Virginia (Dorlond) Olson of Toledo, OH. Loved uncle of Shirley (Mark) MacFarlane of Neapolis, OH and Edward (Diane) Olson of Lambertville, MI. Preceded in death by his parents and his sister Gail Graves. He was employed by Ford Motor Company. Mr. Graves served in the U.S. Army during World War II serving in Italy and in Africa. He also enjoyed the Internet and traveling. Memorial services were held at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Pastor Robert J. White of the Grace Baptist Church officiating. Cremation rites have

been accorded. Memorial contributions can be made in his honor to the Arbor Hospice.

INSCO, WILLIAM RUSSELL, 73, of Westland, passed away January 29. Dearest husband of the late June Insko. Loving father of June Ann Insko and Edith (Wesley) Walker; stepfather of Louise Jachin and William Randy Payne. Beloved grandfather of four and great-grandfather of four. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with Pamela Mills officiating.

KILE, DELMAR MELTON, 79, of Westland, passed away February 16. Mr. Kile was a World War II veteran and was awarded five Bronze stars. Dearest husband of the late Ozella Kile. Loving father of nine. Beloved grandfather of Nineteen and great-grandfather of fourteen. Dear brother of Dennis (Maxine) Kile, Ruby (Mel) Williams, Marge (Glenn) Johnson, and Shirley (Harold) Rogers. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with Rev. Don Reynolds officiating. Interment followed at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

LAWSON, GARNIE, 72, of Wayne, passed away February 21. Dearest husband of the late Rosie Lawson. Loving father of Linda (Chad) Toole and Ray Lawson of Westland. Dear brother of Clovis Lawson, Connie Lawson, Johnnie Lawson, Gary Lawson, Shirley Lawson, and Herma Lawson. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home. Interment followed at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

MORIOKA, LOIS F., 74, of Belleville, passed away February 20 in her home after a long illness. Born August 1927 in East Grand Rapids, the only child of

Russell and Pearl (Clema) Dunlap. She graduated from Dearborn High School in 1944. In 1953 she married Setsuo Morioka in Dearborn. They had three children born into their union Teresa (1955), John (1957), and Sharon (1961). In the mid-sixties the family moved into the Belleville area where she would spend the rest of her life. In 1973 she earned her Bachelors degree from Eastern Michigan University. She taught Adult Education for the Van Buren School District. She also self published her own book in 1983 entitled The Long Road from White River, a novel about the interment of Japanese-Americans during World War II. Her book and her weekly column in the Belleville-Area Independent (during the 1990s) allowed her to pursue her love of writing. Always with a smile and an easy laugh, she expressed her love of people by serving as a Stephen Minister at the First United Methodist Church in Belleville. She was also a member of the September Days Seniors. She is survived by her husband Setsuo "Ted" Morioka; her children Theresa Morioka of Belleville, John Morioka of Belleville, and Sharon (Joseph Szutz) Morioka of Roswell, GA; her grandsons Kevin Clark of Belleville and Jeremy Clark of Nashville, TN; step-grandson Christopher Szutz of Roswell, GA; and her cousins Wallace (Jean) Smith of Dearborn and Jean (George) MacDonald of Florida. She is preceded in death by her parents Russell and Pearl Dunlap. Funeral services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Belleville with Dr. John N. Grenfell III officiating. Funeral arrangements were made by David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville. Memorial donations can be made in her honor to the Stephen Ministry of the First United Methodist Church, 416 Charles Street, Belleville, MI, 48111.

ROMULUS HOUSING COMMISSION INVITATION FOR BID

The Romulus Housing Commission will receive sealed bids, March 14, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. in the office of the Commission, 34200 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan, to provide lawn maintenance service for 101 dwelling units of public housing, including the commissions administration office site. All sites are located in the City of Romulus, Michigan.

Bid documents can be obtained at the Housing Commission office. If more information is needed, please call at area code (734) 729-5389.

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Charter Township of Van Buren 2002 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Application Van Buren Township Natural Area Notice of Public Hearing

In accordance with the guidelines of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the Charter Township of Van Buren will be holding a Public Hearing in order to receive public input, suggestions and comments on a 2002 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Application for a Van Buren Township Natural Area.

A Public Hearing will be held at the regularly scheduled Recreation Committee Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 12, 2002 in the Denton Room.

A second Public Hearing will be held during the regularly scheduled Planning Commission and Environmental Commission meetings at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2002 in the Township Board Room.

A final Public Hearing will be held at the regularly scheduled Van Buren Township Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2002 in the Township Board Room.

All meetings will be held at the Van Buren Township Hall, located at 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, accommodations can be made available with advance notice.

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CITY OF WAYNE NOTICE 2002 BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Review for the City of Wayne will meet in Wayne City Council Chambers, 3355 S. Wayne Road, Wayne, Michigan on the following dates and times by appointment only for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll:

Meeting dates are as follows:

Date	Day	Appointment Time	Petition
March 14, 2002	Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Organizational Meeting
March 18, 2002	Monday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Residential
		1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Residential
March 19, 2002	Tuesday	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Residential
		7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Residential
March 20, 2002	Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Poverty
		1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Commercial/Industrial
March 22, 2002	Friday	9:00 a.m.	Wrap Up

Your 2002 Assessment Notice will be mailed to you March 1, 2002. Taxable value increases are limited by law to 3.2% for 2002. (The inflation rate for 2001 calculations was also 1.032 or 3.2%.)

Agents for petitioners must submit, for each parcel individually, current letters with original signatures from your client properly authorizing you to appear for the property owner.

Review is by appointment only. If you have questions or desire an appointment, please call the Finance Department at 734-722-2000 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mary Carney, City Clerk

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CITY OF INKSTER 2002 BOARD OF REVIEW

THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF THE CITY OF INKSTER WILL MEET AT THE BOOKER T. DOZIER RECREATION COMPLEX, 2025 MIDDLEBELT ROAD, ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING THE COMPLAINTS OF ALL PERSONS CONSIDERING THEMSELVES AGGRIEVED BY THE ASSESSMENTS MADE AGAINST THEIR PROPERTY.

MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2002

10:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.
AND
2:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2002

10: 00 A. M. TO 12:30 P. M.
AND
3:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

ADDITIONAL MEETINGS, IF NEEDED, WILL BE HELD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR LAST TAX BILL FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND TAX CODE NUMBER.

PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT (313) 563-4271.

KIMBERLY TURNER
INKSTER CITY CLERK
2121 INKSTER ROAD
INKSTER, MICHIGAN 48141

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CITY OF ROMULUS NOTICE 2002 BOARD OF REVIEW

To the taxpayers of the City of Romulus: The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Community Room, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on the following dates and times by APPOINTMENT ONLY for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll.

Meeting dates are as follows:

Residential

March 11, 12, 13, 2002: 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 4:00pm
March 14, 2002: 2:00pm - 4:00pm & 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Commercial/Industrial

March 15, 2002: 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers are as follows:

Classification	Ratio	Multiplier
Commercial	50%	1.0000
Industrial	50%	1.0000
Residential	50%	1.0000
Developmental	50%	1.0000
Personal	50%	1.0000

Review is by appointment only

Residents and Non-Residents of the City seeking a review of their assessment may appeal "IN PERSON" at these meetings or appeal by letter. The Board of Review MUST receive all letter appeals no later than March 15, 2002.

Property owners may appoint and authorize a representative to appear on their behalf. All Representatives or Agents MUST submit proof of authorization to act on behalf of the property owner as a prerequisite to appeal to the Board of Review.

If you desire an appointment, please call the City of Romulus, Department of Assessment at (734) 942-7520 between the hours of 8:00 am. - 6:00 pm. Monday thru Friday.

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Romulus Community Schools ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

1. Barton Malow Company, requests bids on behalf of Romulus Community Schools for the **Window Installation at Barth, Hale Creek & Wick Elementaries and Romulus Middle School** work for Bid Package No. 9. **Bid proposals will be received by Romulus Community Schools, 36540 Grant Road, Romulus, MI 48174, delivery or mail, to the attention of Mr. William Routhier by 2:00 p.m. local time on March 19, 2002.**

2. Proposals shall be prepared in accordance with the Project Manual dated February 18, 2002 by the Barton Malow Company and contract and construction documents prepared by the Architect dated February 12, 2002 for:

BID PACKAGE NO. 9 - WINDOW INSTALLATION AT BARTH, HALE CREEK & WICK ELEMENTARIES AND ROMULUS MIDDLE SCHOOL

• 06000 General Trades - includes demolition and window installation

3. A pre-bid conference and site visit/tour will be held for all trades at Barton Malow Company's jobsite office located at: 9650 S. Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on March 5, 2002 at 3:30 p.m.

4. A refundable deposit of \$50.00 per document set is required. Deposit checks should be made payable to the Barton Malow Company. Bidders shall provide their shipper number for shipping fees if the bidder desires to have plans sent by ground or air transportation. More than one set is available upon payment of printing and shipping costs. Deposits will be refunded upon return of the bid documents to the Barton Malow Company within thirty (30) days after opening of proposals provided the documents are complete, in clean and usable condition, and free of marks or other defacements.

5. Bidding documents can be obtained from Barton Malw Company at the Romulus Schools field office located at: 9650 S. Wayne Rd., Romulus, MI 48174, phone (734) 941-0869, fax: (734) 941-1278.

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Glenn, Salem split conference titles

Rockets best in playoffs

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Before they went their separate ways in search of district basketball titles, Plymouth-Salem and Westland John Glenn clashed on the hardwood to settle an issue on who

is best in the Western Lakes Conference.

Coach Bob Brodie and the Salem Rocks beat Glenn earlier in the season, during the conference match-up, but the three-point Rock victory didn't settle anything.

Salem went on to not only win a share of the Lakes Division title, but it also captured the conference title outright.

That was not to be the case in the playoffs, however,

Glenn made sure of that.

The Westlanders were eager for the rematch and they got their opportunity last week by surviving the first and second rounds of the play-

offs, advancing to the championship round where they found Salem waiting for them.

With Northville High as the stage, the rematch between the two local teams didn't disappoint the fans. The battle again went right down to the wire, but this time it was Glenn that managed to hang on to a 50-53 decision.

The victory sealed Glenn's first basketball championship in more than a decade.

"We're very happy for the kids and our fans," said Glenn coach Joel Lloyd. "They've worked very hard and have earned the recognition."

Lloyd also was quick to point out that "this season isn't over yet."

"We still have the playoffs to be concerned about, and we're looking forward to playing over there at Romulus."

Brodie said his team had the opportunity to win but didn't capitalized on them.

"We had three good shots - five-foot jump shots at the end that usually fall for us, but they didn't," said the veteran Salem coach. "It happens, and there is little anyone can do about it. And I also believe that fatigue played a factor in this game. We didn't get much help from our bench. On that night, the

better team won."

The game was close to the end.

Salem held a one-point, 11-10, lead after the first period, and the Westlanders came right back and tied the score at half-time (25-all). The Rockets managed to pull away by three, 42-39, then successfully defended their advantage in the final quarter by alternating from a zone to a man-to-man defense.

Neither team relied on its offense in the final quarter. The cat-and-mouse quarter wound up to the Rockets' advantage, 8-5. DeAnthony Granberry sank both ends of a one-and-one with less than a minute left in the game that

seemed to sound the knell for Salem.

Glenn freshman Jerret Smith scored a career high 17 points and No. 50 Darnel Wilson, who scored the last basket of the game on a breakaway for the team's 50th point, finished with 12. Teammate Jeff Brantley added 11 points for the Rockets who wrapped up the regular season with a 14-6 record.

Salem's Dave Hoskins continued to shine as he scored a team high 16 points. Teammate Pat Abraham finished with 14 for the Rocks who made five of 10 from the free throw

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Belleville avenges loss to Rouge

Tigers add Mega-Red, White title

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Belleville Coach Mike Krogel says that his ball club has adopted the philosophy of "playing the game the way it's supposed to be played."

And, last week, the Tigers went out and showed that they have learned their lesson well - Willow Run and River Rouge learned just what that means.

The Tigers crushed Rouge and Willow Run, the two teams that beat them during the conference season to pick up their second championship trophy of the basketball season.

The Tigers will head into this week's district playoffs with the Mega-Red Conference and the Mega Red-White Playoff titles. They also are favored to capture the District Tournament title at Romulus. In the first-round of the district's Belleville played the host, Romulus, a team that they have beaten on two previous occasions this year.

But Krogel is quick to point out "that playing a team three times in one season is tough. Beating a team three times in one season can be difficult."

The winner of the Belleville-Romulus game is scheduled to meet a highly-touted Garden City ball club Wednesday night in the semifinals.

The championship at Romulus will be decided 7 p.m. on Friday.

In their last encounter of the conference season, Rouge's Panthers handed Belleville its first conference loss. The loss snapped a 10-game Belleville winning streak. Then, with the help of Willow Run's upset of the Tigers, Krogel's ball club was forced to hand over a share of the conference title to the downriver basketball power.

The stage was set for the rematch between Belleville and Rouge for the Red-White Mega Conference playoff title.

But this time, Belleville was not in any sharing mood. With Jerriel Burrus setting the tone in the game with his aggressiveness and quickness, the Tigers exploded to a 14-2 lead in the first period that prompted Krogel to

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Off-balance after coming down from a lay-up, Belleville's Jerriel Burrus (11) took to the floor with vengeance in his mind against a River Rouge team he allowed to slip from his fingers in an earlier game. Burrus played his best game of the season against the Panthers Friday night, according to Tiger coach Mike Krogel, in leading the Mega-Red champs to the Mega-Red-White playoff championship. Photo by Carl Brown

Twisters give grid players 2nd chance

The Twisters are offering local football talent a second chance to see if they can pass the test to make the team.

The Twisters, a semiprofessional football teams that harvests talent of former high school and college players and forges the players into a championship team, is holding pro-style physical examinations.

"If you believe you have what it takes to play semiprofessional football

and play the kind of demanding game as we have in the past, we'd like to hear from you," says J. Glenn Brothers, executive director of the Twisters.

The Twisters will conduct the combine beginning at 8, until 10 a.m. on March 10 at the High Velocity Sports Arena, 46245 Michigan Ave., Canton, Michigan.

Brothers pointed out that partici-

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Coleman scores 21 in Romulus win

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Romulus High sophomore sensation Ron Coleman continued his torrid scoring pace as the 6-5 center drilled 21 points, swept the boards for 10 rebounds, and added five assists to lead Coach Guy DelGiudice's Eagles to a lopsided 65-47 victory over Taylor Kennedy in a Mega-Red-White Conference playoff game.

The victory ended the regular season phase of the 2001-2002 campaign for the Eagles. Romulus began its quest for a Class A District Championship on the home floor Monday night. The Eagles were scheduled to play district tournament favorite, Belleville, in the first round of competition.

Belleville wrapped up the conference and the Mega-Red-White playoff titles. The Tigers also are the defending district champ.

On Wednesday, the winner of the Romulus-Belleville game took on Garden City. The winner of the semifinals advances to the 7 p.m. Friday district title showdown with the winner of the Wayne Memorial-Westland John Glenn game.

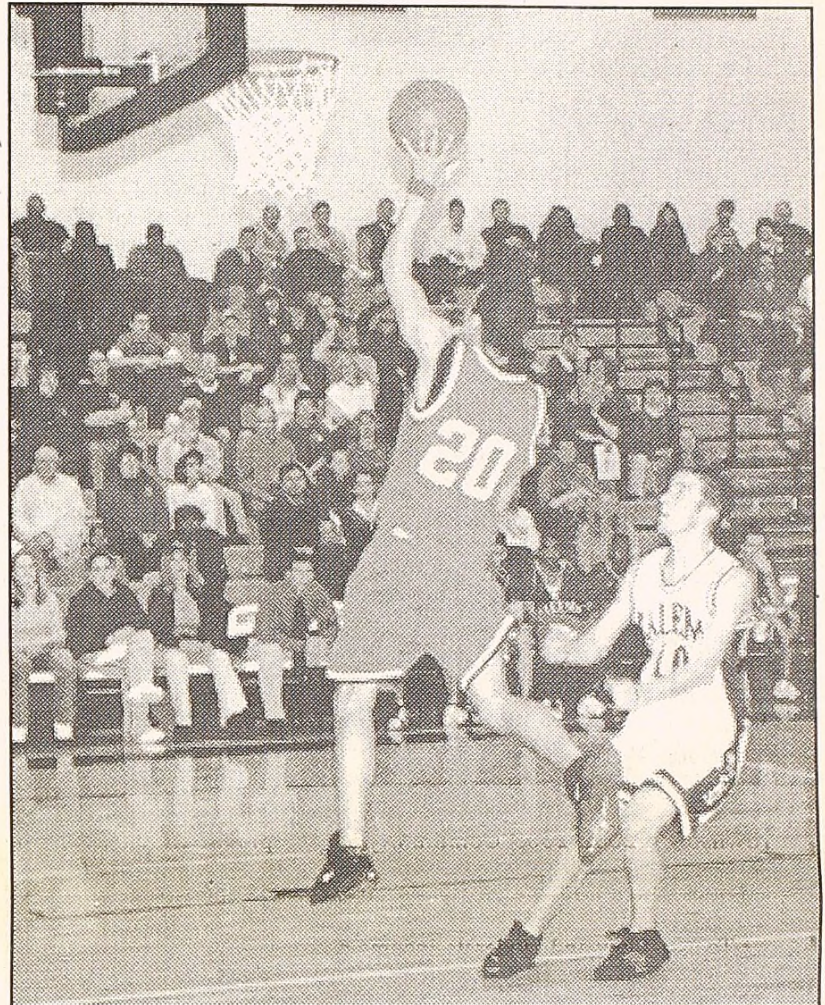
Coleman has been phenomenal in his sophomore season as he has averaged 20-ppg. during most of the second half of the campaign.

"There are Big 10 schools that are interested in him right now," DelGiudice said. "But they're going to have to wait a couple of more years. Ron's only a sophomore."

Romulus jumped out to a 16-11 first period lead against Kennedy, then held their visitors to seven points in the second frame and enjoyed a one-sided 35-18 halftime edge that was never seriously challenged in the second half.

Coleman's 21 points topped the field. Two other Romulus players - Anson Long and Mike Christopher also scored in double figures. Long and Christopher each con-

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Glenn's Jerret Smith (20) drives past Salem's Ryan Williams (10) for two of his career high 17 points against the newly-crowned Western Lakes Conference champs. Smith and the Rockets wound up with a 50-43 victory and the conference playoff title. Photo by Byron Lee

Canton rides 3-game losing streak unto district playoffs

It isn't the best of times for Coach Jeremy Rheault and the Plymouth-Canton Chiefs. They're riding a three-game losing streak into this week's Class A District Basketball Playoffs and the luck of the draw has them playing none other than one of the title favorites.

The Chiefs drew host, Livonia Stevenson, in a game that was played on Monday. The winner of the Canton-Stevenson match-up plays Plymouth-Salem in the semifinals (held last night).

The District 25 championship will be decided at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 8, at Livonia Stevenson.

"What hurts is that we could have won those last three games," said Rheault, after the Chiefs dropped a 79-73 decision to Walled

What hurts is that we could have won those last three games.

Coach Jeremy Rheault

Lake Western in the Western Lakes Conference playoffs series. The game brought the curtains down on the regular season. "You would

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Wayne unleashes its long-range artillery against Dearborn

Raspberry nails 4 of Zebras' 12 three pointers

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Hitting a season's high 12 three-points - four of those by 6-2 junior forward Jonathan Raspberry, and scoring a season's high 82 points, Wayne Memorial showed it is ready for the district basketball playoffs.

"This game was a good tune-up for the playoffs," said Coach Wayne Woodard, after his Zebras trampled an outstanding Dearborn ball club, 82-61, in a Mega Red-White playoff game. "Our kids now believe in themselves, and they now know they can play with anyone."

That "anyone" may be one of the hottest teams in the area - Westland John Glenn. If Glenn, coming off of a

victory over Plymouth-Salem for the Western Lakes playoff title, survives their first-round playoff game Monday night with Livonia Franklin (and they should), the Rockets would move into the semifinals (Wednesday night) and play natural rivals, Wayne. (Both high schools share a school district.)

The winner of the Glenn-Wayne game, if the match-up materializes, will play the winner of the Garden City-Belleville game for the district championship at Romulus.

The title game is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday.

Wayne hit on 39 of its 69 attempts from the floor in a remodeled Dearborn gym that is still difficult for fans

to identify with. As one fan noted, "it seems that when you're sitting in the bleachers, you're out in right field or something."

Right field or not, Wayne was right on target against Dearborn. The Zebras turned in their best showing on offense this season.

Up by three points, 18-15, after the first period, Raspberry, and a balanced scoring attack that featured Cedric Sims, Daren Johnson and Mike Rashad, exploded in the second period. When the smoke cleared, the visitors had a 41-29 half-time lead.

With coach Woodard going to his bench indiscriminately, Wayne increased its advantage, 63-44, for

three quarters. The Pioneers, a serious title contender in the Mega-White, did not mobilize a threat in the second half as Wayne managed to protect a 15-point cushion to the end.

Sims, who played only three periods, amassed a game high 18 points, while Raspberry had 16, with four three-pointers to his credit.

Wayne also received 11 points from Johnson and Rashad chipped in with 10 for the winners who made two of four free throws for the evening. Dearborn sank 11 of 15 fouls and also had two players - Brian Frederick's and Omar Abdrabbak each tossed in 13 points.

In the first round of the Mega-

Red-White playoffs, Wayne jolted Taylor Truman, 72-44, as Raspberry scored a game high 23 points and Rashad added 11 in the lopsided victory.

Wayne left Truman at the gate in the first period. The Zebras raced to a 28-11 lead and were up by as much as 15 points in the second period before they settled for a 42-28 half-time advantage.

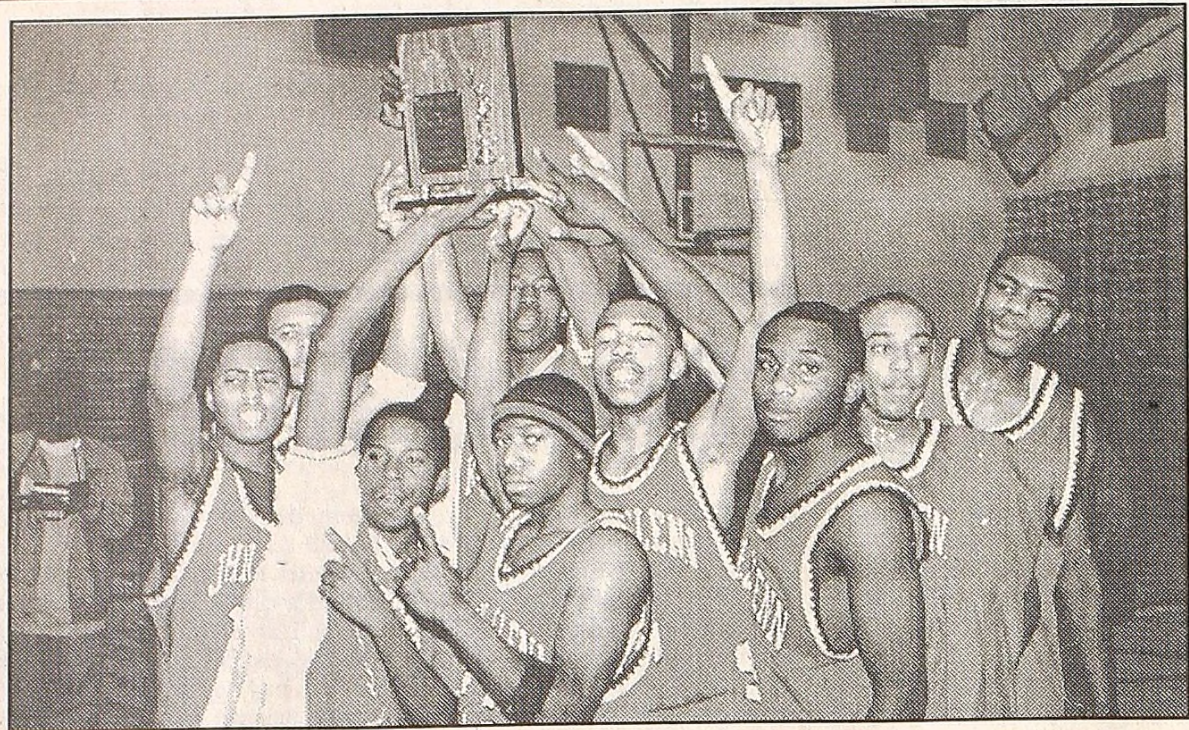
The defenses took over in the third period. The two teams put a total of 11 points on the board with Wayne holding the edge, 6-5. The two teams resumed their shoot-out in the final frame and Wayne finished with a 24-11 advantage.

Raspberry, with 23 points, edged

out Truman's Danny Rose, who had five field goals and also sank 11 of 13 from the free throw line for 21 points, for the game's individual scoring honors. The consistent Rashad also chipped in 11 points for the Zebras who made 15 of 23 from the foul line.

Although Wayne has beaten Glenn earlier this season, Woodard would not speculate on the rematch, if there is one.

"You never know what will happen in the playoffs," said Woodard. "Glenn should advance, but you never know when it comes to the playoffs. I will tell you this, I will be at the game (Glenn vs. Franklin). Whichever team we get, we will be ready to play."



Rockets celebrate playoff title

It wasn't easy but Westland John Glenn posted a victory over newly-crowned Western Lakes Conference champ, Plymouth-Salem, Wednesday night at Northville High School to capture the conference playoff crown. It was the first-ever high school varsity basketball title at Glenn for sophomore Coach Joel Lloyd and also the first in more than a decade for the Rockets who celebrate (above) after they posted the seven-point, 50-43 victory over Salem. Glenn also has an excellent shot at winning its first Class A District title in more than a dozen years when they take to the floor at Romulus High. Their road to the district title would have to be at the expense of Livonia Franklin - Wayne Memorial - and Belleville. Photo by Byron Lee.

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think when your team shoots 67 percent (30 of 45) from the floor and you out-rebound your opponent 26-18 that your team would win.

"But when you commit 28 turnovers, it is tough to play over that."

Rheault noted that earlier in the week, against Stevenson, the Chiefs committed only six turnovers but shot 26 percent from the floor.

If Canton can get past Stevenson in the opening round of the playoffs, it would set up a rematch with Salem. Salem pulled out a narrow victory over Rheault's Chiefs in their only encounter of the season.

With Jason Priebe opening up from long range, and Andrew Meagrow taking control of the boards, Canton worked it way to an 18-17

lead in the first period. Western however came back and outscored the Chiefs 28-24 to go up at the half, 45-42. Both teams tilted the scoreboard for 17 points which left Canton shy three-points of tying. They never caught up.

Meagrow, a 6-6 senior center, again turned in an excellent all-around performance as he grabbed 12 rebounds to go along with his 15 points. Priebe nailed five three-pointers and finished with a team-high 16 points. The two were joined by Brendan Murphy and Steve Thornton in the double figure scoring column. Murphy tossed in 12 points, while Thornton scored 11 for the Chiefs who had an 8 of 17 night at the free throw line.

Western's 1-2 punch of David Zietlan and Chris Eagle, who each scored 25, helped put Canton away. Western also capitalized on 13 of 21 from the free throw line.

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point out "that that quarter was probably the best we have played defense all year long."

Atypically, Rouge never recovered from the shock. Behind the balanced scoring provided by James Holmes, Alex Davenport, and Burrus, the Tigers moved from a 12 point first period to a 15-point, 30-15, lead at half-time.

The Panthers managed to close within seven in the third period, but they never came any closer.

"We weathered the storm with a couple of bursts," said Krogel. "You can never rest against a team like Rouge. They are too talented a team to ease up on."

It was Burrus's missed free throw that helped open the door to a Rouge victory in their second meeting in the

Belleville, Glenn advance to semis

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

There will be a match up between natural rivals Wayne Memorial and Westland John Glenn in the semis of the Class A district basketball playoffs at Romulus High, but Plymouth-Salem won't get an opportunity to play neighbor, Plymouth-Canton.

Glenn, Belleville, Inkster, Dearborn Heights Robichaud all passed their first-round playoff tests and advanced to the semifinals of the district playoffs.

However, Canton and Romulus didn't, and their seasons have ended. Belleville, the defending district

champ, eliminated Coach Guy DelGiudice's Eagles, 53-39, on Romulus' home turf as James Holmes and Alex Davenport each tallied 11 points in this low-scoring rematch of the Mega-Red powers.

Romulus sophomore sensation Ron Coleman finished his sophomore year with 10 points.

Glenn continued to be the "hottest" team in the area as the Rockets turned back Livonia Franklin, 51-42, thanks to Darnell Wilson's 16 point output.

The district title at Romulus will be decided Friday night at 7.

In the meanwhile, Inkster and

Coach Steve Brooks proved too much for a highly-touted Clarenceville team Monday night. Making their Class C debut, the Vikings knocked off Clarenceville, 74-55, behind Victor Morris' career high 35 points.

In a match up between Robichaud, a Mega-White ball club, and Willow Run, a Mega-Red team, the Bulldogs of Dearborn Heights shot down the Flyers, 60-52, to advance to the semis thanks to balanced scoring provided by Tron Thompson, who scored 14, while 6-5 center Marcus Johnson and Bill Bryson each chipped in with 11.

Last call in Westland for baseball sign-up

With March taking over the calendar, can baseball be far behind?

Before you get out your baseball mitt, bat and ball, however, better trot down to your local recreation department and sign up. They would like to know that you want to play ball this summer.

In the meantime, officials of the Westland Youth Athletic Association said this week that they are continu-

ing to sign up prospects for their leagues. They are looking for boys and girls from four to 18 years old.

"The four year olds must have reached that age on or before Jan. 1, 2002," says Keith DeMolay, WYAA publicist. "We would like everyone to register as soon as possible so we'll know just about how many players and teams we have this year."

Registration is being accepted

until April 7 at the Lange Compound, located at 6050 Farmington Road. Parents or players may contact the WYAA office for further information or to leave a message on the voice mail.

WYAA's telephone number is 421-0640. Information may also be obtained from the WYAA website. You can find that at www.wyaa.org.

Keep those All-Area names coming

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

The initial response to the Michigan Community Newspapers Sports Staff's request from our local readers for names of high school basketball players worthy of being selection to the 2001-2002 All-Area team was good.

There were names of candidates that MCN staffers admit they were not considering. Please continue to phone or "fax" in those candidates you believe are deserving of the honor.

Picked by the MCN Sports Staff, in cooperation with local high school varsity coaches, the All-Area honors the top varsity basketball players in the area for

the 2001-2002 season. Over the years, notable stars such as Romulus' Terry Mills and Johnny Long and Inkster's Eartha Faust and Bobby Fowler have made the team. Oh, yes, Mike Garland, presently an assistant coach with Tom Izzo's staff at Michigan State, also was an All-Area pick from Belleville High.

Players may be nominated from the following schools: Belleville, Romulus, Plymouth-Salem, Plymouth-Canton, Inkster, Dearborn Heights Robichaud, Wayne Memorial and Westland John Glenn.

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Romulus girls volleyball teams shine in Mega-Gold

Romulus High stood out above the field in Mega-Gold volleyball competition this season.

Coach Rick Coate's Eagles not only captured the Mega Conference Gold Division's title, but they may have assured themselves of a dynasty as the junior varsity also surfaced with their divisional crown, making Romulus a double winner this year.

Success also may be attributed to the outstanding work this season by a pair of first year coaches - Rick Coate, who is in charge of the varsity squad, and Brooke Hensman, who is the junior varsity coach.

"We're very proud of our teams' achievements and accomplishments," said Coach Coate, who is rounding out his first year as head coach with an impressive 11-1 record. "These kids have worked hard and deserve all the credit."

Tied for first place with Dearborn Heights Crestwood, the issue of which team would wear the crown for the 2002 season was resolved in a hotly contested three-game series before a large "Parents Night" crowd.

"The final match was a real spirited

contest but our girls came through and picked it up right when they had to," Coate later commented.

Romulus won the opening game by a close 15-12 margin, but faltered in the second match. The Eagles dropped a 15-9 decision, setting the stage for a thrilling finale.

In the third and decisive game, the Chargers from Crestwood established the tempo early and spiked their way to a 5-2 lead.

Then, despite many long volleys, the Eagles rallied and scored a phenomenal 13 consecutive points to win the match and the Mega-Gold championship.

Romulus finished the regular phase of the 2001-2002 campaign with an impressive 11-1 overall record.

The junior varsity also had a challenging and difficult task in their encounter with Crestwood. As if they wanted to duplicate the varsity's run for the gold, the junior varsity won their opening match, then lost the second to force the issue to the third game which they won.

Hensman, who also posted an 11-1 record as a first-year coach, finished

the season with a 15-5-7 record.

The varsity volleyball club posted a 50-34 overall record and achieved what no other Romulus High girls' volleyball has managed to achieve - since the 1984-85-86 campaigns - win the conference championship. The previous championships were obtained during the era when Gail Coleman, a coaching icon, fielded the Eagles teams.

Coach Coate also noted that members of his team have managed to maintain high academic standards while preparing and playing for the Eagles.

"A majority of our team members are on the school honor roll," said Coate.

Under Coate's leadership, the Romulus volleyball program has managed to become a contender. In recent years the Eagles were a sub .500 ball club.

Coate, who is also an assistant volleyball coach at the University of Michigan-Dearborn Campus in the fall, is looking forward to seeing the Eagles play for state honors in the near future.



The Romulus High Varsity and Junior Varsity girls' volleyball teams culminated an outstanding season by winning the Mega Conference Gold Division championships. Celebrating their success in the conference and the championships are team members with staff. Pictured in the first row are Lindsay Coughlin, manager; Rachel Broom, Deana Hunter, Latoya Staple, and Jennifer Hunter, manager; in the second row are Amy Thompson, Mega Hatcher, Carla Broom, Jennifer Kiesznowski and Jennifer Ottenbreit; third row are Kristen Brooks, Kara Coughlin, Lauren Block, Andrea Gibson, and Kristina Rafalsi. Also pictured are Head Coach Rick Coate and Assistant Coach Mike Hunter.

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pants will be asked to do bench and standing press, vertical jump, 40-yard dash, a quarter-mile run, shuttle and agility drills as part of the exercises. The Twisters' staff also recommends

that participants bring turf running shoes.

There is a \$20 per candidate registration fee which is payable at sign-in. Candidates must also be 18-years old or older, and be a high school graduate. Only serious applicants with proven football experience are asked to participate.

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line as compared to Glenn's three of seven effort.

Salem took a 13-7 record into the Class A District playoffs at Livonia Stevenson. Brodie's bunch drew a first-round bye and is scheduled to play the winner of the Plymouth-Canton, Livonia Stevenson game in the semis. (The semis were staged Wednesday night).

The championship at Stevenson will be decided at 7 p.m. Friday.

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tributed 12 points for the Eagles, who made 11 of 15 offerings at the free throw line.

No Kennedy players cracked

the double digit barrier. The closest was Jason Edwards who had eight points.

Romulus's junior varsity had an outstanding year. The Eagles finished with an 18-2 record and the Mega-Red Conference title.



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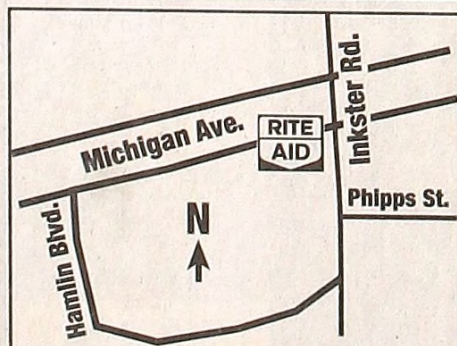
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Unit: A31
Items: Bookcase, end table, ironing board, dining chairs, lawn chairs, microwave cart, roller blades, boxes and bags

Tenant: Nathan Smith
Unit: A43
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Tenant: Todd Holland
Unit: B59
Items: Ping pong table, car parts, motorcycle tires, V-6 engine

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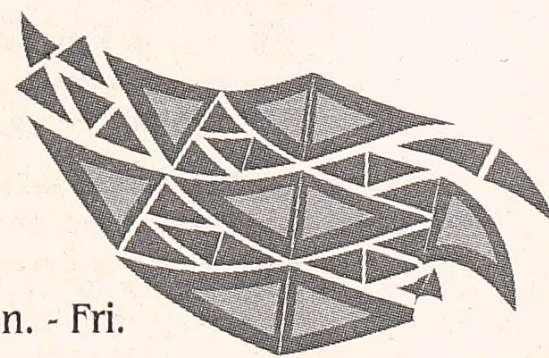
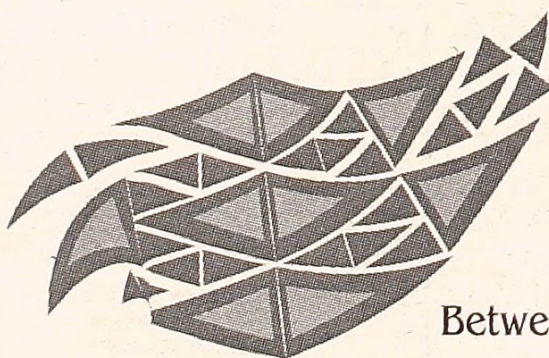
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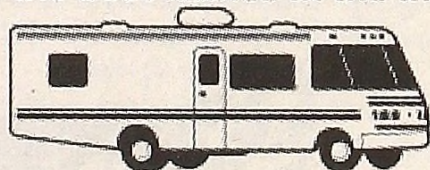
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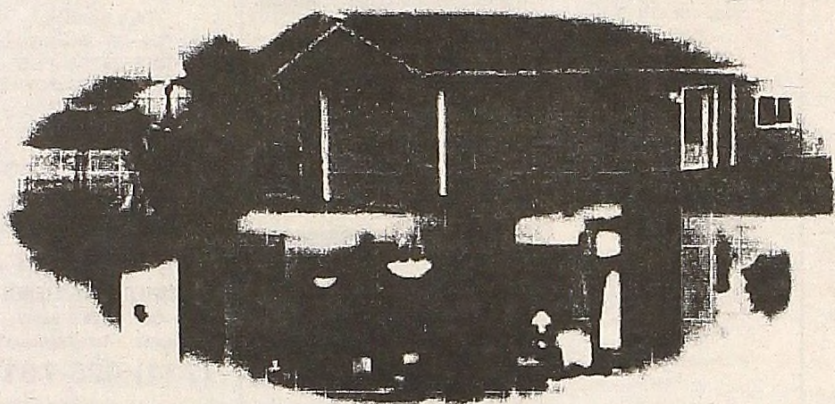
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